Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claim 9. Please amend Claims 2, 5, 8, 10, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 89. Please add new Claims 93-96. The Claim Listing below will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

Claim Listing

- (Previously presented) A method of therapeutically treating an uncoupled resorbing bone in a patient, comprising the steps of:
 - administering an effective amount of a first formulation comprising a bone forming agent into the bone, and
 - administering an effective amount of a second formulation comprising an antiresorptive agent into the bone, wherein the anti-resorptive agent is a highly specific cytokine antagonist comprising a monoclonal antibody that inhibits TNFα.
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the bone is intact non-fractured.
- (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the amount of the first formulation comprising the bone forming agent is effective to increase the density of the bone.
- 4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the patient is post-menopausal.
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the <u>uncoupled resorbing</u> bone is a vertebral body.
- 6-7. (Canceled)
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the <u>uncoupled resorbing</u> bone is a vertebral body and is adjacent to a fractured vertebral body.
- (Canceled)

- (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the <u>uncoupled resorbing</u> bone is a hip bone.
- 11. (Withdrawn) A kit for treating an osteoporotic bone, comprising:
 - a) a first formulation comprising an osteoconductive material,
 - a second formulation comprising an effective amount of an anti-resorptive agent,
 and
 - c) a sustained release device adapted to deliver the second formulation into the bone.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the osteoconductive material comprises calcium and phosphorus.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the osteoconductive material comprises hydroxyapatite.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the osteoconductive material comprises collagen.
- 15. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the osteoconductive material is in a settable paste form capable of setting up in vivo to impart post-treatment mechanical support to the osteoporotic bone.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the second formulation comprises a highly specific cytokine antagonist.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the sustained release device comprises a drug pump.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the sustained release device comprises a bioresorbable material.

- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 further comprising:
 a) an effective amount of a growth factor.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 wherein the sustained release device comprises microspheres.
- (Currently amended) A method of treating osteoporosis in a patient, comprising
 administering an effective amount of a formulation comprising an effective amount of a
 highly specific cytokine antagonist into an at least one uncoupled resorbing bone,
 wherein the highly specific cytokine antagonist comprises a monoclonal antibody that
 inhibits TNF-rt.
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 21 wherein the at least one bone is intact into
 which the formulation is administered is non-fractured.
- 23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the amount is effective to increase the bone mineral density of the bone.
- 24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the patient is post-menopausal.
- (Previously presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the bone is a vertebral body.
- 26. (Canceled).
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 21 wherein the highly specific cytokine
 antagonist inhibits at least one-interleukin monoclonal antibody is REMICADE[®]
 infliximab.
- (Currently amended) The method of claim 21 wherein the <u>uncoupled resorbing</u> bone is a
 vertebral body and is adjacent to a fractured vertebral body.

- (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the bone is osteoporotic.
- (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the bone is a hip bone.
- (Withdrawn) An osmotic pump implant for providing sustained delivery of a therapeutic agent into a bone, comprising:
 - a) a tubular member having a proximal end portion, a distal end portion and a throughbore,
 - a semi-permeable membrane located in the proximal end portion of the tubular member.
 - a piston provided in the tubular member, defining a proximal chamber and a distal chamber.
 - d) an osmotic engine located in the proximal chamber, and
 - a therapeutic drug located in the distal chamber, wherein the tubular member has an outer surface adapted to anchor to the bone.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the outer surface has a threadform thereon.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the outer surface has a hook thereon.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the outer surface has a
 porosity effective for inducing bone ingrowth.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the porosity of the outer surface has an average pore size of between 20 µm and 500 µm.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the therapeutic drug is a bone forming agent.

- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the outer surface is adapted to form a lag screw.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the therapeutic drug is a growth factor.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the therapeutic drug is an antibiotic.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 31 wherein the therapeutic drug is an anti-resorptive agent.
- (Withdrawn) An osmotic pump implant for providing sustained delivery of two therapeutic agents to a bone, comprising:
 - a) a tubular member having a proximal end portion, a distal end portion and a throughbore,
 - a semi-permeable membrane located in the proximal end portion of the tubular member.
 - a distal piston provided in the tubular member, defining an intermediate chamber and a distal chamber,
 - a proximal piston provided in the tubular member, defining the intermediate chamber and a proximal chamber,
 - e) an osmotic engine located in the proximal chamber,
 - f) a first therapeutic drug located in the distal chamber, and
 - g) a second therapeutic drug located in the intermediate chamber.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 41 wherein the tubular member has an outer surface adapted to anchor to the bone.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 41 wherein the outer surface has a threadform thereon.

- 44. (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 41 wherein the outer surface has a porosity effective for inducing bone ingrowth.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 41 wherein the first therapeutic drug is a bone forming agent.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 45 wherein the bone forming agent is a growth factor.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 45 wherein the bone forming agent is a BMP.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 45 wherein the bone forming agent is FGF.
- (Withdrawn) The osmotic pump implant of claim 45 wherein the second therapeutic drug is an anti-resorptive agent.
- (Withdrawn) A device for providing sustained delivery of a therapeutic agent into a bone, comprising:
 - a) a chamber for housing an anti-resorptive agent,
 - b) an exit port in fluid communication with the chamber,
 - c) an effective amount of an anti-resorptive agent housed within the chamber, and
 - means for expelling the anti-resorptive agent from the chamber through the exit port.
- 51. (Withdrawn) A kit for treating an osteoporotic bone, comprising:
 - a) a first formulation comprising an effective amount of a bone-forming agent,
 - a first sustained release device adapted to deliver the first formulation into the bone.

- a second formulation comprising an effective amount of an anti-resorptive agent,
 and
- a second sustained release device adapted to deliver the second formulation into the bone.
- 52. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 51 wherein the bone forming agent is an anabolic agent.
- 53. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 51 wherein the bone forming agent is a growth factor.
- 54. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 51 wherein the bone forming agent is a BMP.
- 55. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 51 wherein the bone forming agent is an antibiotic.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 51 wherein the second formulation comprises a highly specific cytokine antagonist.

57-58. (Canceled)

- 59. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 11 further comprising:
 - a) an effective amount of a growth factor.
- 60. (Previously presented) A method of treating an osteoporotic patient having a spinal unit comprising an upper vertebral body, a lower vertebral body, and an intervertebral disc therebetween, comprising: inserting a device into at least one vertebral body adjacent to the intervertebral disc, wherein the device is adapted to deliver an effective amount of a bone forming agent and an anti-resorptive agent into the vertebral body and wherein said anti-resorptive agent comprises a monoclonal antibody that inhibits TNF-α.
- (Withdrawn) A kit for treating osteoporosis, comprising:
 - a) an effective amount of a bone forming agent, and
 - an effective amount of a highly specific cytokine antagonist.

- 62. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent is an anabolic agent.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent comprises calcium and phosphorus.
- 64. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent comprises an injectable precursor fluid that produces an in situ formation of a mineralized collagen composite.
- 65. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent comprises collagen.
- 66. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent is in a particulate form.
- 67. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent is a growth factor.
- 68. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent is a BMP.
- 69. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 61 wherein the bone forming agent is FGF.
- 70. (Previously presented) A method of therapeutically treating an uncoupled resorbing bone in a patient, comprising administering an effective amount of a formulation comprising an anti-resorptive agent into the bone, wherein the bone is nontumorous and wherein the anti-resorptive agent is a highly specific cytokine antagonist comprising a monoclonal antibody that inhibits TNF-α.
- (Withdrawn) A drug delivery implant for providing sustained delivery of a therapeutic agent to a bone, comprising:
 - a) a drug pump comprising an outer surface and an exit port, and
 - a carrier comprising a recess for receiving the drug pump and means for fastening to the hone

- 72. (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the drug pump further comprises a flexible tubular member comprising a throughbore, wherein the throughbore is in fluid communication with the exit port.
- (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 72 wherein the drug pump comprises an osmotic engine disposed within a throughbore.
- (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the drug pump contains a first formulation comprising an effective amount of a bone-forming agent.
- (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the drug pump contains a first formulation comprising an effective amount of an anti-resorptive agent.
- (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the carrier comprises a radio-opaque material.
- (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the carrier is made of a material having a modulus of elasticity of between about 0.1 and about 10 GPa.
- (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the carrier has an outer surface having a threadform thereon.
- 79. (Withdrawn) The drug delivery implant of claim 71 wherein the drug pump has a cylindrical outer surface, the carrier comprises a throughbore and the cylindrical outer surface is adapted to fit within the throughbore.
- 80. (Withdrawn) A kit for treating osteoporosis, comprising:
 - a) a bone anchor comprising:
 - an outer surface having at least one exit hole,
 - ii) a distal end portion having at least one entry hole, and
 - iii) a throughbore in fluid communication with the entry and exit holes:

- a first formulation comprising an effective amount of a bone forming avent, and
- a second formulation comprising an effective amount of an antiresorptive agent.
- 81. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent is an anabolic agent.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent comprises calcium and phosphorus.
- (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent comprises hydroxyapatite.
- 84. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent comprises collagen.
- 85. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent is in a particulate form.
- 86. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent is a growth factor.
- 87. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent is a BMP.
- 88. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 80 wherein the bone forming agent is FGF.
- (Currently amended) A method of therapeutically treating an uncoupled resorbing bone in a patient, comprising the steps of:
 - a) administering an effective amount of a first formulation comprising a bone forming agent into the bone, and
 - administering an effective amount of a second formulation comprising an antiresorptive agent into the bone, wherein the anti-resorptive agent is a highly specific cytokine antagonist comprising a monoclonal antibody that inhibits TNF-

- α , wherein the second formulation is <u>remains</u> in the bone in an effective amount for at least one month.
- (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 1, wherein the bone forming agent is released from a sustained release device.
- (Previously presented) The method of Claim 60, wherein the anti-resorptive agent comprises REMICADE[®] infliximab.
- (Previously presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the anti-resorptive agent comprises REMICADE[®] infliximab.
- (New) The method of Claim 1, wherein the uncoupled resorbing bone is osteoporotic or osteopenic.
- 94. (New) The method of Claim 21 wherein the formulation remains in the bone in an effective amount for at least one month.
- 95. (New) The method of Claim 60 wherein the device is adapted to deliver the bone forming agent and the anti-resorptive agent into the vertebral body for at least one month.
- 96. (New) The method of Claim 70 wherein the formulation remains in the bone in an effective amount for at least one month.